GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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CONSTRUCTION AND AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES IN CRZ - I
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received the report of evaluation from the Government of Maharashtra in order to allow agricultural activities in CRZ-I areas;

(b) if so, whether similar report of the two members committee constituted by the Ministry to study the ground realities of Konkan Region of Maharashtra has been received;

(c) if so, whether decision has been taken on the request of the Government of Maharashtra to allow construction and Agricultural Activities in CRZ-I areas; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the present status of the case ?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE)

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Based on the site visit report of the two member Committee constituted by Government and the revised Coastal Zone Management Plan submitted by the Government of Maharashtra, the Kharland Development Projects, which involved agricultural activities in Coastal Regulation Zone areas have been accorded clearance on 22nd August, 2003.